

## WRONG MAN ARRESTED

Bloodhounds Fail in an Effort To Locate Man Who Threw Stone At Car.

JOHN SHREVE'S IS RELEASED

By the Magistrate Who Is Shown That He Is Not Man Wanted on Charge.

Strangely, J. W. Schaefer's bloodhounds failed to demonstrate their usual ability in pinning down criminals and the arrest made by their trailing was shown to be false. In other words, they identified the wrong man, when John Shreves was arrested charged with throwing a stone through the vestibule of a street car beyond Wilsonburg.

The incident took place Saturday night. A man was ejected from a street car for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He appears to have waited until the return of the car when he threw a stone through the vestibule window and came near hitting a passenger. The matter was reported to the police authorities of the traction company and the bloodhounds were enlisted in efforts to bring the fellow to justice. The dogs trailed the fellow, as was the belief to the home of Shreves and refused to go farther. Resulting from their action Shreves was arrested. When taken before Justice Riley Sunday he denied his guilt and the car men stated he was not the man wanted. They gave Shreves a good reputation, stating that he rode with them every morning and evening to and from his work, and that he was not the one ejected from the car, nor did they believe him to be the one who threw the stone through the car vestibule.

At the conclusion of the hearing Justice Riley was thoroughly convinced Shreves was not the guilty man and dismissed the warrant against him. Deputy Sheriff John M. Kneox who arrested him then released him from custody.

It is hoped yet to apprehend the guilty party, and, if done, he will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

## OLD BETTES IS SUED TOO

Sheriff of Raleigh County Institutes Counter Suit For Ten Thousand Against Him.

A suit for \$10,000 damages for defamation of character has been instituted in Raleigh county by W. R. Campbell against Sam Bettes, commonly known as the cowboy preacher. The sheriff alleges that Bettes, during the recent campaign, in his speeches, made allegations that were untrue and spoke of him in a manner calculated to injure his reputation among his fellow citizens.

It will be remembered that Bettes entered suit against Sheriff Campbell for \$10,000 for an injury inflicted upon him while he was speaking from the court house steps. He alleges that the sheriff pulled him off the steps, and in falling he had his collar bone broken and suffered other injuries. When this occurred Bettes was bitterly attacking the sheriff in his speech.

## "THE PARISIAN PRINCESS" AT THE GRAND TONIGHT

"The Parisian Princess," which will be the Imperial Stock company's initial production tonight will be followed on Tuesday by "The Lost Paradise," probably the heaviest scenic production in the entire repertoire, and the apparent interest manifested indicates that it will attract equally as large an audience. The opening bill, something unusual in popular price theatricals, "Jack, the Giant Killer" will be the Saturday afternoon bill, and the young actress, who doubtless pack the house in season of its presentation, will be given daily start.

### ADAMS RETURNS.

Adams returned to Clarksburg Sunday night after an absence of four days. He came from Morgantown, where he is shipper for the Mississippi Wire Company. During his absence he visited many places of interest and came from Bridgeport, Md. to Morgantown. He is looking well and doing well. He will return here a few days and then return to his work at Morgantown.

## MCGRAW MAY SELL TO B. & O.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company Is Planning to Block Prospective Competition.

WEBSTER SPRINGS, Dec. 24.—Col. John T. McGraw, owner of the West Virginia Midland R. R., General Manager Geo. A. Hechmer and Capt. Harry, chief engineer of the road, are in Baltimore in conference with B. & O. R. R. officials. It is rumored that Mr. McGraw will sell his road to this company, and indications and advice which has come through reliable persons, verify the rumor that these people are making a desperate effort to get control of the road, and to stop development of other railroad companies in this section. The coal & coke R. R. have been negotiating with McGraw for several months in regard to the purchase of his road, but it seems that they have refused to buy, on account of Mr. McGraw demanding that they take over his interests in the county. There may be nothing in this report, but indications point toward the verification in the near future. The people, however, would much prefer that the coal & coke R. R. would own the road than the B. & O., as the chances for early development of the county would be more certain by the former company. In a day or so there ought to be something more definite in regard to the trip of the West Virginia Midland people to Baltimore.

A corps of engineers from the West Virginia Midland railroad, headed by the chief engineer, Capt. Harry, has been engaged for the past three or four weeks on a new survey for the company. The proposed new route from Brewster is up the waters of Laurel Run, and over on to the waters of the Little Kanawha, and thence through Upshur county to Buckhannon. The authorities are in a great rush to have the survey completed. There is much valuable coal and timber lands along the proposed route, and one can readily see the necessity of a railroad through this territory. The West Virginia Midland Company own and have options on a great deal of valuable lands along this proposed line. This is the second of three surveys that have been made recently. Col. Moore Jackson having made one and A. P. Hamilton the other.

## OSTEOPATHS MEET IN PARKERSBURG

And Take Action Relative To Asking For Legislative Society Wants.

The West Virginia Society of Osteopathy held a meeting in the office of its president, Dr. Ely, of Parkersburg, Saturday night and took important action relative to some legislation it will ask of the legislature at the coming session concerning the society. It is possible the legislature will be asked to create an osteopathic examining board to be appointed by the governor. The society will make a hard fight for what it considers its rights in this State.

### OIL DRILLERS BUSY IN HARRISON COUNTY.

On Dog run, Tennille district, this county, the Star Oil Company is starting another test in the John Williams farm. On the same stream the Invincible Oil Company is due in the Gordon at its No. 4 on the I. N. Wilcox farm. On Cunningham run, Eagle district, the Philadelphia company is drilling a test on the E. M. Hess farm. On Limestone run, Coal district, the Hutton Gas Company is drilling a test on the A. R. Shinn farm. On Salem Fork, the Independent Oil Company is due in the Big Injun at a test on the Richard Davis farm. On Lambert run and Tennille creek, the Hope Natural Gas Company has the rig completed for tests on the A. J. Reynolds and C. W. Lynch farms.

On Rock Camp run, Sardis district, the Monarch Oil Company has drilled its test on the John Henderson farm to the top of the Gordon and has shut down.

In the Wallace district, the South Penn Oil Company's No. 3 on the W. S. Herbert farm is holding up at 100 barrels a day, natural.

### COAL COMPANY CHARTERED.

The Summit Coal & Coke Company, just chartered, will be located at Clarksburg, with a capital stock of \$50,000, of which \$100 has been paid in by the following incorporators: Frederick O. Brandt, of Detroit; H. R. Miller, of Pittsburgh; H. A. Gibbanks, of Allegheny, and R. D. McKeon, of Columbus.

# Santa Claus Will Visit Many of City Churches

## STRICK JACKSON GETS ONE YEAR

After He Confessed After Jury Disagreed in His Case For Stealing Hides.

Strick Jackson, colored, was sentenced Saturday evening in circuit court to one year in the penitentiary. The jury in the case failed to agree and then the amazing happened. Strick confessed to the charge, that of stealing two beef hides from Hayden Cork's slaughter house. Judge Lynch then imposed sentence of one year on him. If it were not that some busy-bodies ever bent on making mischief and spending about all their time telling lies about the Telegram, we would say as a jest the judge ought to have given him an additional year for making the confession, as there are but few whose hopes do not arise, when a jury disagrees in their case. Jestingly, we might also inquire whether this Honor imposed the year because of his confession. It is a sure thing he would not have sentenced him, if he had not confessed.

## FIRST SETTLEMENT OF THE ENGLISH

Jamestown Exposition Is To Celebrate This Most Important Event In American History.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 24.—On the 19th day of December, three hundred years ago, there set sail from Blackwell, England, under the command of Captain Newport, three vessels, the Godspeed, the Susan Constant and the Discovery, the largest not exceeding one hundred tons burden. This little fleet and its one hundred and five passengers was destined to mark the beginning of the most important epoch in the history of the world. The commencement of their voyage was inauspicious and its progress unhappy. By reason of contrary winds they were buffeted about on the great ocean for six weeks before losing sight of the English coast. It was after many more weary weeks of travel ere they saw land, the coast of Virginia, on the 26th day of April, 1607, and to the point first sighted they gave the name Cape Henry, and the peaceful place where they dropped anchor, they called "Comfort," which is the Old Point Comfort of today. The beauty of the scene about them greatly affected them and John Smith, one of their number, was led to utter this sentiment: "Within," says he, "is a country that we may have the prerogative over the most pleasant places known. Heaven and earth never agreed better to frame a place for man's habitation, were it inhabited by industrious people. Here are plains, hills, valleys, rivers and brooks all compassed with fruitful and delightful land."

After resting at "Comfort" for several days and feasting upon the oysters which they gathered from the waters and the strawberries and other early fruits which they gathered from the land, they proceeded up the mighty river which they called the "James," and landed, May 13, 1607, upon the island of Jamestown, where, as Smith again says, "was chosen a very fit place for the erecting of a great city." In this Smith was mistaken as later years proved the disadvantages of the location and the settlement never became much more than a village.

Thus was founded Jamestown, the first English settlement in the new world; the birthplace of the American Republic and the beginning of the land of the free and the home of the brave. It was a small commencement, but, considered from the point of outgrowing results, it was one of the most portentous events in all history for had the Jamestown settlement failed in its inception the picture had never changed, for the world would have been a different place.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been granted to Fred Hamrick and Beulah M. Shreves, and Charles T. Jenkins and Georgia Jones.

Most all the Sunday schools of the city will have Christmas trees and entertainments. Some will be this evening and some tomorrow evening.

Christmas day appropriate services will be held at Christ Episcopal and Goff Methodist churches and there will be Christmas mass at the Catholic church with special music by Prof. Crow's orchestra and the church choir. Christmas services were held Sunday night at St. Mark's Lutheran church, too.

The services at the First Presbyterian church yesterday were appropriate to Christmas day and the Central Presbyterian Sunday school had a Christmas tree at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Richardson Friday night. At the First Presbyterian church tonight at 7 o'clock Mr. Santa Claus and a nice Christmas tree will be. The evening is to be one of good cheer for the children. There will be a Christmas tree at the Christian church tonight. The Adamston United Brethren Sunday school, the Broad Oaks Sunday school, the West End Sunday school, and Mt. Zion colored will also have Christmas trees tonight.

There will be services at Goff chapel at 7 o'clock Christmas morning, which promises to prove very interesting.

A Christmas treat for the children will be held in the M. E. church, Adamston, Christmas afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A lecture will be given at night at 7:30 o'clock by the Rev. L. B. Bowers, of Columbia University, New York. Subject, "The American Home." No charge for admission. All are cordially invited to attend and spend a very happy Christmas.

Christmas night there will be Christmas trees and special programs at the Southern Methodist church and Duff street United Brethren church in the Stealey addition.

The Elks are busily engaged today distributing their annual gifts of food and other articles to the poor of the city.

The Salvation Army is also distributing baskets filled with provisions for the poor, as is the Army's custom all over the country.

## SCOTT CASE GOES OVER

To a Special Term of Circuit Court To Be Held By Judge Lynch Shortly.

The case of Abe Scott, colored, convicted at the recent term of circuit court of the voluntary manslaughter of George Ridgeway last June at the West Fork glass plant in a dispute over the size of a valve, by hitting him with the valve, will be passed on at a special term of court to be held by Judge Lynch at the earliest opportunity. This was decided upon Saturday evening just before the term adjourned. The attorneys will first submit the case to Judge Lynch on a motion to set aside the verdict and grant a new trial, and his decision will be handed down at the proposed special term.

## BRAKEMAN'S LIFE IS CRUSHED OUT

Cught between an engine tank and a car, D. D. Evans, B. & O. brakeman, was rolled off the rear step of a tender and run over by a caboose, meeting instant death in the Fairmont yards Saturday night, about 9:45 o'clock.

Evans had been on the Connellsville division but a short time. He had gone to the Fairmont yards on a freight train and was standing on the rear step of the tender on engine No. 83. In passing another train, which was barely in the clear, he was standing too far to one side and was caught. He fell over the track and a caboose ran over his chest, crushing life out of him instantly. His left shoulder was horribly mangled, a large portion of it being mashed off.



MISS HELENA FREDERICK, WHO HAS WONDERFUL EYES.

Both as a singer and as an actress Miss Helena Frederick has achieved a reputation. She is best known as a singer, having appeared as prima donna in several well known productions. Recently she was with Mme. Lillian Blauvelt. Miss Frederick is an American woman who has studied voice culture in Europe. Among the admirers of feminine loveliness on the stage she is noted for her wonderful eyes.

## SUTTON SKIPS COURT BOND

Flee To Parts Unknown Is Belief About Man Indicted For Forgery and Perjury.

Defaulting of his bond by J. E. Sutton in circuit court has been noted, and it is believed Sutton has gone to parts unknown.

Monday's grand jury returned two felony indictments against Sutton. One charged him with the forgery of Elias Fittro's name to a note of \$4,000. The other charged him with perjury in the trial of Sutton against Fittro in circuit court at the September term.

At the conclusion of the trial at the September term Sutton was arrested and placed under bond of \$2,500 to answer indictments, if

### MISS BODKIN HAS FEVER.

Miss Blanche Bodkin, clerk at the Traders news stand and Fuller's candy store, has typhoid fever and was removed to a hospital Monday. Many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

John Laistetter is home from Rock Hill college at Elkton City, Md., for the holidays.

## WILD MAN IS LASSED

Foreigner Terrorized All the People At Rosebud But Is Now In County Jail.

John Buskoki is safely in jail after behavior of a wild man at the Rosebud coal mines on the Short Line near Dola. He is either crazy or was crazy drunk. His actions Saturday evening there terrorized the community.

First the man proceeded to break in the front of the store, smashing doors and windows in the most reckless manner. Then he proceeded to the boarding house near by, broke windows, furniture and other things and acted in the most disorderly manner. The occupants of the boarding house fled in great fright.

Two or three nearby dwelling houses also received similar attention from Buskoki and much excitement was caused. There seemed no possible way to pacify him, nor could he be captured by ordinary means.

Finally, the denizens lassoed him. Constable A. L. Husted, of Sardis, was sent for, and the latter brought him to jail Saturday night.

His hearing will be before Justice G. H. Gordon Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## HOLIDAYS BEAT REGULAR SCHEDULE

Weather Interferes With New Traction Line Schedule But Cars Will Run Soon.

Unless the cold weather interferes with the work so as to prohibit the company from putting the finishing touches on the line and making it absolutely safe in every particular, the regular schedule on the inter-urban road from Clarksburg to Fairmont will go into effect on next Wednesday, December 26, the day after Christmas.

General Manager Purinton has been working very hard to get everything in readiness but the bad weather has delayed the work until it will not be possible to start regular cars before Wednesday, and it might be Thursday, although the plans are set for Wednesday. During the past two or three weeks there has been so much rain that the men had to use umbrellas while doing the wiring and soldering. But that work is nearly completed now and the last of the ballasting will soon be in condition for regular service. But one very important factor in the getting ready has yet to be done and that is the motormen have to learn the road thoroughly before they begin to carry passengers on the regular runs. Manager Purinton is very careful on this point and of course it is a very wise action. He had a bunch of conductors out Saturday doing over the line from Shinnston to Gypsy and points above and by Wednesday the men will know all the "crooks and turns," bridges, grades and cuts and be ready to carry the people safely through.

## CHURN FAILS TO MAKE GOOD

Would Not Turn Out Three Pounds of Butter From One Pound and Quart of Milk.

Blaine G. Jackson thought it would be a great money-making scheme to make three pounds of butter out of one pound of butter and a single quart of milk. So, he bought a churn of L. G. Marple, he says, that Marple said would do that trick. He claims he paid Marple twenty-five dollars for the churn. But when he tried to make so much butter out of ingredients that did not weigh that much, he learned it could not be done. At least that churn would not turn out three pounds of butter from one pound of butter and one quart of milk, and so he had Marple arrested for getting the twenty-five from him under false pretenses. Justice Gordon will hear the case Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock. Marple is out on bond of five hundred dollars.

### CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.

Christmas will be generally observed by the business houses. The stores will all be closed, as will the public offices, the courts of the magistracy and others, and the post office will observe legal holidays. The express offices will also be closed most of the day.

## RYMER GETS TEN YEARS

Tells the Judge He Is Imposing Sentence On An Innocent Man.

### INNOCENT MAN TO PRISON

Rymer Dramatically Cries To Judge and Later Tells Him He Would Not, If Rymer Was Innocent.

Charles Rymer was sentenced to ten years imprisonment by Judge C. W. Lynch late Saturday evening. It was the closing scene of the term of court, and was made highly dramatic by an address which the prisoner delivered in court before sentence was pronounced.

When the court inquired of Rymer if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced on him, he arose and made a dramatic plea, in which he declared his innocence of the crime for which he was convicted. "You are sending an innocent man to prison," he said, in conclusion.

In passing sentence, the court said that he would rather make any error in life than sentence an innocent man to prison, but in Rymer's case the evidence was such that it left no doubt of the prisoner's guilt in the court's mind.

Rymer was arrested and tried for breaking into the residence of Frank C. Gaylord, a prominent citizen, and assaulting, binding and gagging a servant girl, while he rifled the house. He was traced by bloodhounds to a lumber yard on the outskirts of the city. He was arrested and taken before the servant girl, who positively identified him as the one of the men who attacked her.

## FEVER TAKES MRS. DONAHUE

Dies After Only a Few Days' Illness. News of Death Painful To Many Friends.

Mrs. Thomas M. Donahue died at 12:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at her late home on East Pike street from pneumonia fever. She was stricken last Wednesday and the malady developed alarmingly rapidly. All was done to save her life, but without avail.

Mrs. Donahue was Miss Zelta McElfresh, of Cumberland, before her marriage. The bereft husband and three small children—one son and two daughters—survive her. She was a highly respected woman and numerous friends mourn her sudden demise.

The funeral will be held at the Catholic church Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. J. A. Reynolds, and interment will be in Holy Cross cemetery.

## ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE WILL ASK LEGISLATION

Alford Visits Charleston and Establishes Headquarters For the League.

Rev. Theodore Alford, the Anti-Saloon league leader in West Virginia and editor of the league's organ, the West Virginia Citizen, has been in Charleston on important business. Rev. Mr. Alford has secured rooms in the Bradford building, where headquarters for the league will be established for the coming session of the legislature.

In conversation Rev. Mr. Alford stated that the temperance people will ask the legislature to enact a county local option bill. This measure is now being prepared and will be presented to the lawmakers early in the session.

Indications are that there will be a lively contest between the saloon and anti-saloon people. The house of delegates has at former sessions enacted a number of temperance measures and the anti-saloon people now claim the majority of the members of the senate will favor reasonable measures.

Rev. Mr. Alford stated that several other measures will be presented but he did not care to announce the nature of them. He returned to his home in Parkersburg for the holidays and expects to open headquarters there on January 2.

Rev. Mr. Alford was at the state house for a conference with the governor.

### SHAW HAS A RELAPSE.

By Associated Press. The Shaw has had a relapse and his physicians report his condition very bad.